

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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MANUFACTURING OF SUKHOI- 30 FIGHTER
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited has finalised plans and blue prints for manufacture of 140 Sukhoi MK I fighter aircraft with Russian Collaboration;
- (b) if so, the terms of the collaboration; and
- (c) the steps so far taken in pursuance thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. General Contract has been signed by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) with Russian agency - Rosoboronexport on 28th December, 2000 for licence manufacture of 140 SU 30 MK1 aircraft.

Collaboration is for the licensed production of 140 SU 30 MK1 aircraft along with additional engines and sets of aggregates to cater for the life time exploitation of the aircraft. The Russian side will provide for supply of licence technical documents, specific non-standardised equipment and toolings based on the request of Indian side, technical assistance for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR), deputation of Russian Specialists to the project site, training of Indian engineers in Russia etc., and supply of technical kits in different stages of production.

The DPR has been received and is being studied. Once the DPR has been approved, the production of SU 30 MK1 aircraft in India is planned to commence within the next three years or so.